

The Athenian Mercury.

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Doggrel Mercury.

Quest. I.

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Hen first I her beheld, whose most
charming Face,
And lovely Feature, and attract-
ing Grace,
Dame Nature did in such sweet
Symmetry place;

II.

A sudden torment then my poor soul did feel,
A far worse pain than if pointed Steel
Had pierced my Breast, which only she can heal.

III.

Such a cruel pain, who can it thus endure?
Surely no one can, not I, I'm sure,
When I thus utterly despair of a cure.

IV.

O that charming Celia wou'd but combine!
My Love and hers both shou'd conjoyn,
And make up our mutual Loves divine.

V.

But now, Alas! Say, how then shall I
Act my part when she does me so defy,
And from my chaste Embraces does so fly?

VI.

Ah unhappy Wretch! whose fatal destiny
First I read in her all-charming Eye,
And now in who's cold disdain must dye.

VII.

When she thus beholds me, all bloody-flain,
She may impute me then perhaps in vain
Whom she cruelly has kill'd with her high disdain.

VIII.

Sonatures debt being paid, if she draw near,
And vouchsafe to wet the Corps with a Tear,
She'll do more for't then ever she did while I was here.

IX.

O kind Minerva's Sons! Now to me impart,
If you have learnt it in all your Art,
How to mollify her adamant heart.

X.

To you, good Sirs! Do I think it best
Thus to reveal the Secrets of my troubled Breast,
And from you only I do expect rest.

XI.

Moreover, when these Sorrowful Lines you do read
Pray return some comfort with all speed
To a broken hearted Lover who stands in great need.

I.

Ans. When first we beheld thy Lines, whose bod-
bling Grace
Wou'd have made Tom Saffold's self hide his Face
And a certain Pindaric that shall be nameless, give
place:

II.

A sudden Transport then our poor Souls did feel,
And our Bodies likewise, from head to beel,
Whilest the weight of thy strong Lines made our senses
reel.

III.

Such a pleasing pain and so tickling a smart
That Tears fell from our Eyes by a strange Art,
While we laugh'd like to break our Heart.

IV.

O that thou oftner wou'dst with us combine
Or else thy force with some Querist joyn
That bright as odorous * Flames, our twisted works * [We hope
might shine. the malicious
world won't
suspect we
mean lighting
a pipe, by such
a lotty ex-
pression.]

V.

Then out alas! Can there be any fire
(If any, sure she harder then Flint must be)
Who'd fly th' Embraces of thy Muse and Thee?

VI.

Ah unhappy wretch she! Whom her own blind
Fate
Now hoodwinks, (tho perhaps she'll see too late,)
And makes her thy lost Love repay, with cold-base.

VII.

When unto her thy Head full Raw is shown,
Through her Disdain, and Bloody every Bone,
She must needs cry out, O hone! O hone;

VIII.

And when thou from the Bough thy Corps shalt fling
And Iphis like, against her Door give a Spring,
How will she bear her cruel Breast, and her hands
Vvring?

IX.

We have done what we can, and told her the Truth,
And if our Verse and thine will not move her to Rush,
What hope alas remains for a Distraled Youth?

X.

We'd hope her Pebbly-Heart when mumbled thus
Wou'd somewhat softer grow, between thee and us;
If not, she's more stony then A-tro-pos.

XI.

But here, alas! We must abruptly part,
For shou'd we praise thee half to thy desert,
Twou'd break, at least our wind, if not our heart.

Quest.

Quest. 2. To the Athenian, (and 't please ye)

Affes.

Unworthy Scribblers! How durst you provoke
A womans Rage, dear passion I'll invoke
With all her Spleen to help me to write my mind:
Ungrateful Blockheads! To no answer find,

* We protest But slight your friend that was to you so kind *
we know no- I saw your papers Barrenness, and thought
thing of the The Reason was cause few to you sought,
matter. But now I find dulness was the Fault.

Let me have an answer speedily, or expect to hear from
me further. M. O.

Ans. If you're abus'd, your self, pray, blame!
There needs no more to spread your Fame.

Quest. 3. What Liquors may be most healthful for a
good fellow to Drink.

Ans. Water, or if that's too cool, a dish of sober
Coffee, now and then would be very convenient.

Quest. 4. My master sometimes gives me money to go
to Dinner at a Cooks shop; I desire your Judgment,
whether if I eat no Dinner, or a Friend invites me, I
may keep the money.

Ans. If you fast, and are not thereby disabled from
doing your masters business, we see no reason but you
may appropriate what he gives you to what use you
please. Nor is, we think, the case much alter'd if
your Friend gives you a Dinner; which is suppos'd to
cost him as much as yours would at the Cooks shop.
And 'tis the same thing whether he gives you a Din-
ner that would cost, (and consequently save you) so
much money, or the very money in specie.

Quest. 5. In the reading over the Unparallel'd Ad-
venture, I find it is now proposed, That any one paying 50 s.
may have 7 Tickets; wherein is the Advantage more in this
proposal, than in the first, which was to pay 7 Pounds for
7 Tickets?

Ans. The Advantage is to those who have not the
7 Pounds to deposit, and to others who make use of
their money in the mean time; but now it is too late,
by reason their time of Drawing will be the first or
second of May.

There is Newly Published,

Mr. Sault's Translation of the 2d
Volume of Malbranche's Search after Truth. To which
is added the Life of Malbranch.

The History of all Religions in the World, from
the Creation down to this Present Time. In
Two Parts. The first containing their Theory,
and the other relating their practices; With Va-
rious instances upon Every Head. To which is add-
ed, a Table of Heresies: as also a Geographical
Map, shewing in what Countrey Each Religion
is Practis'd. Written in a different Method from
any thing yet published on this Subject. By William
Turner, M. A. and Vicar of Walberton in Sussex.

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published, Resolving all the most nice and curious ques-
tions proposed by Ladies and Gentlemen, relating to
Divinity, Philosophy, Love, Marriage, History, Physics,
Law, Mathematics, Trade, &c. from Tuesday, Decemb.
18. to Saturday, March 30. 1695.

Lachryma Sacerdotis. A Pindarick Poem Occasion'd
by the Death of that most excellent Princess, our late
Gracious Sovereign Lady, Mary the Second of Glorious
memory. By Henry Park, Curate of Wentworth in York-
shire. All Four printed for John Dutton, at the Raven
in Jewen-street. And are also to be sold by Edm. Rich-
ardson, near the Poultry-Church.

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The Time being near expired, that the Receivers
have given under their hands on each Ticket, that if not
begun drawing by the 1st of May, to pay every one their
monies back, the Undertakers, with the consent of Tru-
stees and Receivers, are positively resolv'd to begin draw-
ing on Tuesday the 30th of April, by 8 of the clock in the
morning precisely, at Cordwainers-hall in Distaff-lane.

Licensed by the Patentees of the Royal Oak.

Tickets may be had of Sir John Sweetapple's, Knt.
and Mr. Hodgkins, at the Blackmore's-head, Mr.
Shales his Majesty's Goldsmith, Mr. Williams at the
Crown, Mr. Shepherd at the Angel, Mr. Layfield
at the White-horse, Mr. White at the Blew Anchor,
Lombard-street, Mr. Harrison at the Hen and Chickens,
Mr. Ragdal at the Golden boile, Mr. Bullock at the Horse-
shoe, Mr. Ladd's at the 3 Kings, Mr. Knott at the 3
Golden Cocks in Cheap-side, Mr. Clement in Newgate-
street, Mr. de Cayne without Bishops-gate, Mr. Minshall
at the Golden Falcon, Mr. Cole over-against St. Dun-
stan's Church Fleet-street, Capt. Jitts next the Cross
Keys Tavern, Mr. Foden at the 3 Flower-de-luces, Fer-
rier-Lane, Holbourn, Mr. Hamersley at the Mary-Gold
over-against Catherine-street, Mr. Roberts at the Golden-
Dragon, Mr. Bowman at the Flower-de-luce, near the
New-Exchange in the Strand, Mr. Hooton at the Golden-
boy near Charing Cross, Mr. Richard Adams at the black-
horse in the Strand near Charing-Cross, Mr. Wharton at
the Blackmore's-head against the Rummer Tavern near
White-hall, Mr. Wilcock at the Dial in the Minories, Mr.
Coleman over-against the Kings Brew-house near the
Hermitage, Cap. Jenkins in Essex-street, near St. Cle-
ment's Church, Mr. Hickens over-against Grays-Inn-gate,
Holborn, Goldsmiths. All which Persons stand engaged to
be accountable for the several summs they receive.

A Clock which at once presenteth to the
view the hour of Day or Night in the most remarka-
ble places of the World, together with the minute of
the hour, is to be sold by the Contriver. John Carter
Watch-maker at the White Bear near James-street in
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Those who have Occasion to Buy, Sell,
or lend money on Jewels of any kind whatsoever,
may be inform'd of the true value of any parcel not
exceeding 20 l. at the Expence only of 2 s. and for
any parcel of a higher Value at the Rates of 3 s. for
30 l. 4 s. for 40 l. and so upwards. Which shall be
carefully and justly performed by Jeremiah Warkton
Goldsmith, at the Spread-Eagle, in Lombard-street.

Two Chances for 1 s. To be drawn at
twice, wherein all that shall not have benefits the first
drawing, shall have their Tickets which arise with blanks
put into the glass again, and drawn a 2d time. There
will be given out by Mrs. Eliz. Kinsman, and Mrs. Mary
Daniel, at the blue Anchor in Pater-Noster-Row, 4000 Tic-
kets at 1 s. each, whereof 470 are benefit Tickets, amoun-
ting to 200 l. to answer which sum, there will be the
like value in Rich Goods, Plate, fine Point, fine Bone-lace,
Point Cravats, Bone-lace Cravats, Velvet Scarfs, Tippets,
Alamode Hoods and Scarfs, and Rich Heads.

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in Leceister-fields; Mrs. Manners at the Old King
Charles's Head in the Minories; Mrs. Tompsons at the
School in Clerkenwel Green; and at the Proprietors
above mentioned, being the Blue Anchor in Pater Noster
Row. It is designed to be drawn on Wednesday the
29th day of May, not doubting but to give as good
satisfaction to all Adventurers in this our third Sale of
Goods, as we have done in our two former ones.